City of Trenton REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 2nd, 2023 - 7:30 p.m.

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Ryan Perry	Jennifer Harris		•		Sharon Montgomery	
Vice Mayor	Council Member	Council Member	Council Member	Council Member	Council Member	

CALL TO ORDER

PRAYER

1. Councilwoman Montgomery

ROLL CALL

Present: Woodrey, Perry, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry
Absent: Agee (1)

Motion - To excuse Council Member Mr. Agee for reasons known to Council.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st___Vice Mayor-Perry 2nd____Mr. Perry

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: Agee (1)

PRESENTATIONS

1. None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. Minutes of the October 19th, 2023, Council Work Session.
- 2. Minutes of the October 19th, 2023, Regular Council Meeting.

Motion –To approve the minutes of the October 19th, 2023, Council Work Session, and Regular Council meeting.

(Roll Call Vote) 1stVice Mayor- Perry2nd Ms. MontgomeryYAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Montgomery, Combs, Perry
NAYS:(5)NAYS:(0)ABSTAIN: Harris(1)ABSENT: Agee(1)

CORRESPONDENCE

1. None.

AUDIENCE OF PUBLIC

1. None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. None.

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NEW BUSINESS

1. A MOTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY FINANCE DIRECTOR TO TRANSFER CASH FROM THE GENERAL FUND (011) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,000,000 TO THE GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND (234) FOR FUTURE USE ON FACILITIES, INFRASTRUCTURE, PROPERTY, AND PARKS APPROPRIATIONS.

Motion - That the motion be adopted.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st Vice Mayor-Perry 2nd Ms. Harris

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (6)

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ABSENT: Agee (1)

2. A MOTION, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH KELCHNER, INC. TO EXTEND SANITARY SEWER FROM WOODSDALE ROAD INTO THE TRENTON INDUSTRIAL PARK IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED (\$1,503,637.30) ONE MILLION, FIVE HUNDRED THREE THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED THIRTY-SEVEN DOLLARS AND 30 CENTS, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS RELATED THERETO.

<u>Motion</u> - That the motion be adopted.					
(Roll Call Vote) 1st Vice Mayor- Perry 2nd Ms. Harris					
YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry NAYS:	(6) (0)				
ABSTAIN:	(0)				
ABSENT: Agee	(1)				

LEGISLATION

- 1. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 222.04 PAYMENT OF EARNINGS ON TREASURY INVESTMENTS AND DECLARING AND EMERGENCY. (First Reading)
- 2. AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SECTION 208.04, SALE OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY, OF THE CITY OF TRENTON CODIFIED ORDINANCES. (First Reading)
- 3. AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 250.08, SICK LEAVE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (First Reading)
- 4. AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 250.09, PERSONAL LEAVE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (First Reading)

REPORTS

- 1. Finance Director, Matthew Mesisklis
 - a. Spoke on a resolution and support from a few months ago to ask the state to increase local government allocation which at the moment sat at 1.7% of the state general fund budget. This was increased by percentage points from 1.67% to 1.7%. In the same budget bill, the senate did decrease the personal income tax bracket. In this case, everyone who earns working class and middle class wages will see a decrease in their income tax liability from the state level.



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However, that decrease in revenue also means decrease in dollars allocated to the local government fund because the revenue decreased. There will be observations of about a 10% cut in the local government fund from the state in the coming year.

AUDIENCE OF COUNCIL

Ms. Harris- Thanked the fire and police for being out in the community this week; with trick or treats and trunk or treats. Ms. Harris appreciated them coming out to Trenton Grace Point's Trunk or Treat on Sunday evening and being involved in community events. Ms. Harris further added that it is important for the kids to see the fire and police departments active in the community and bringing a positive light. Ms. Harris then spoke to the veteran's memorial where she would want to see it at the park because that's where events are held and children and the community are. Ms. Harris believes that it's important to show the community and to children to respect our military, police and fire veterans, who go out of their way to protect and serve the people. Ms. Harris understands why it would be nice to have the memorial in the center of town where citizens would be driving by but questioned who would stop to observe it? Ms. Harris commented that if it is in the park where events are held, people are walking, and the memorial would be able to be observed and respected.

Ms. Combs -No reports.

Mr. Perry - No reports.

Mr. Agee - No reports.

Ms. Montgomery –Two weeks ago Ms. Montgomery was coming from church and, saw the fire on Aberdeen. Ms. Montgomery was impressed with the police and fire departments as well as Madison Township fire department and Saint Clair fire department. One of Ms. Montgomery's neighbors works for Madison Township fire department, and he quickly responded to the call. Ms. Montgomery thanked him for being part of that call and helping to get that fire under control. Ms. Montgomery's heart was touched when he said "I want to tell you your fire department, were so kind and wonderful. Your police department was wonderful. I've never been involved with such kindness". That statement made Ms. Montgomery very proud that she has neighbors that are kind and helpful. Ms. Montgomery thanked the fire and police department for all they do.

Vice-Mayor Perry –Invited everyone to the Tuesday, November 14th parks board meeting. The meeting will be further discussing the Veterans memorial in the possible park downtown. It is open to everyone; Vice-Mayor Perry would like everyone to be involved and voice their opinion.

Mayor Woodrey -No reports.



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ADJOURNMENT

Motion -	That	the	meeting	be	adjourne	d.
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(Roll Call Vote) 1stVice May	or-Perry	2nd	Ms. Harris	_Time:_	7:45 PM
YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Montgome	ry, Harris, Con	nbs, Perr	y (6)		
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